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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA-2021-N-0843]

Genus Medical Technologies LLC Versus Food and Drug Administration; Request for Information and Comments; Extension of Comment Period

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for information and comments; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or the Agency) is extending the comment period for the notice entitled "Genus Medical Technologies LLC Versus Food and Drug Administration; Request for Information and Comments" that appeared in the *Federal Register* of August 9, 2021. The Agency is taking this action to allow interested persons additional time to submit comments.

**DATES:** FDA is extending the comment period for the notice published on August 9, 2021 (86 FR 43553). Submit either electronic or written comments by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered. Electronic comments must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. The https://www.regulations.gov electronic filing system will accept comments until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time at the end of [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. Comments received by mail/hand delivery/courier (for written/paper submissions) will be considered timely if they are postmarked or the delivery service acceptance receipt is on or before that date.

Electronic Submissions

Submit electronic comments in the following way:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: https://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Comments submitted electronically, including attachments, to https://www.regulations.gov will be posted to the docket unchanged. Because your comment will be made public, you are solely responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as medical information, your or anyone else's Social Security number, or confidential business information, such as a manufacturing process. Please note that if you include your name, contact information, or other information that identifies you in the body of your comments, that information will be posted on https://www.regulations.gov.
- If you want to submit a comment with confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the comment as a written/paper submission and in the manner detailed (see "Written/Paper Submissions" and "Instructions").

Written/Paper Submissions

Submit written/paper submissions as follows:

- Mail/Hand delivery/Courier (for written/paper submissions): Dockets Management Staff (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.
- For written/paper comments submitted to the Dockets Management Staff, FDA will post your comment, as well as any attachments, except for information submitted, marked and identified, as confidential, if submitted as detailed in "Instructions."

Instructions: All submissions received must include the Docket No. FDA-2021-N-0843 for "Genus Medical Technologies LLC Versus Food and Drug Administration; Request for Information and Comments." Received comments, those filed in a timely manner (see ADDRESSES), will be placed in the docket and, except for those submitted as "Confidential"

Submissions," publicly viewable at https://www.regulations.gov or at the Dockets Management Staff between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, 240-402-7500.

• Confidential Submissions--To submit a comment with confidential information that you do not wish to be made publicly available, submit your comments only as a written/paper submission. You should submit two copies total. One copy will include the information you claim to be confidential with a heading or cover note that states "THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION." The Agency will review this copy, including the claimed confidential information, in its consideration of comments. The second copy, which will have the claimed confidential information redacted/blacked out, will be available for public viewing and posted on https://www.regulations.gov. Submit both copies to the Dockets Management Staff. If you do not wish your name and contact information to be made publicly available, you can provide this information on the cover sheet and not in the body of your comments and you must identify this information as "confidential." Any information marked as "confidential" will not be disclosed except in accordance with 21 CFR 10.20 and other applicable disclosure law. For more information about FDA's posting of comments to public dockets, see 80 FR 56469, September 18, 2015, or access the information at:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2015-09-18/pdf/2015-23389.pdf.

*Docket*: For access to the docket to read background documents or the electronic and written/paper comments received, go to https://www.regulations.gov and insert the docket number, found in brackets in the heading of this document, into the "Search" box and follow the prompts and/or go to the Dockets Management Staff, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852, 240-402-7500.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alexandra Lucas, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20993, 301-796-0230, Drug Device Transition Inquiry@fda.hhs.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In the *Federal Register* of August 9, 2021 (86 FR

43553), FDA published a notice announcing that implementation of a decision from the U.S.

Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in Genus Med. Techs., LLC v. FDA, 2021

U.S. app. Lexis 10928 (April 16, 2021) is expected to require some approved products to

transition from drug status to device status. That notice provides a 60-day comment period and

solicits public comment to inform the Agency's deliberations about products potentially

impacted by the Genus decision and the way in which impacted products should be transitioned

from drug to device status.

FDA is extending the comment period until [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE

**OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER**], based on requests FDA received from

relevant stakeholders. The Agency believes that an additional 60 days will allow adequate time

for interested persons to submit comments to inform the Agency's implementation of the Genus

decision.

Dated: September 28, 2021.

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Acting Principal Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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